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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) New U.S. National Stage of PCT/JP03/15655

CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				10/516347	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/15655			INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE December 8, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED December 27, 2002	
TITLE OF INVENTION GRAPHITE HEATER FOR PRODUCING SINGLE CRYSTAL, APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING SINGLE CRYSTAL, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SINGLE CRYSTAL					
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
1.	$\boxtimes$	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.			
2.		This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.			
3.	$\boxtimes$	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.			
4.	$\boxtimes$	The US has been elected (Article 31).			
5.	$\boxtimes$	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))			
		a.  is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).			
		b. 🖾 has been communicated by the International Bureau.			
	c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).				
6.	$\boxtimes$	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))			
		a. 🛛 is attached hereto.			
		b.  has been previously submitted	ted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
		c.  The International Application was filed in English.			
7.		Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))			
		a.   are attached hereto (require	ed only if not communicated by the	International Bureau).	
		b.  have been communicated by the International Bureau.			
		c.  have not been made; however	ver, the time limit for making such a	amendments has NOT expired.	
		d. $\square$ have not been made and wi	Il not be made.		
8.		An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).			
9.	$\boxtimes$	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).			
10.		An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PET Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).			
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:					
11.	$\boxtimes$	An Information Disclosure Stateme	ent under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.	•	
12.	$\boxtimes$	An assignment document for recor	ding. A separate cover sheet in co	ompliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.	
13.	$\boxtimes$	A preliminary amendment.			
14.	$\boxtimes$	An Application Data Sheet under 3	7 CFR 1.76.		
15.		A substitute specification.			
16.	$\boxtimes$	A power of attorney and/or change	of address letter.		
17.		A computer-readable form of the s	equence listing in accordance with	PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.	
18.		A second copy of the published int	ernational application under 35 U.S	S.C. 154(d)(4).	
19.		A second copy of the English lange	uage translation of the internationa	l application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).	
20.		Other items or information:			